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***Raised Bill No. 5486***

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Referred to Committee on Select Committee on Veterans' Affairs

Introduced by:  
(VA)

***AN ACT CONCERNING GRADUATE DEGREES FOR MEMBERS OF  
THE CONNECTICUT NATIONAL GUARD.***

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

1 Section 1. Subsection (d) of section 10a-99 of the general statutes is  
2 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July*  
3 *1, 2008*):

4 (d) Said board shall waive the payment of tuition fees at the  
5 Connecticut State University system (1) for any dependent child of a  
6 person whom the armed forces of the United States has declared to be  
7 missing in action or to have been a prisoner of war while serving in  
8 such armed forces after January 1, 1960, which child has been accepted  
9 for admission to such institution and is a resident of Connecticut at the  
10 time such child is accepted for admission to such institution, (2) for  
11 any veteran having served in time of war, as defined in subsection (a)  
12 of section 27-103, or who served in either a combat or combat support  
13 role in the invasion of Grenada, October 25, 1983, to December 15,  
14 1983, the invasion of Panama, December 20, 1989, to January 31, 1990,  
15 or the peace-keeping mission in Lebanon, September 29, 1982, to  
16 March 30, 1984, who has been accepted for admission to such

17 institution and is domiciled in this state at the time such veteran is  
 18 accepted for admission to such institution, (3) for any resident of  
 19 Connecticut sixty-two years of age or older who has been accepted for  
 20 admission to such institution, provided (A) such person is enrolled in a  
 21 degree-granting program, or (B) at the end of the regular registration  
 22 period, there are enrolled in the course a sufficient number of students  
 23 other than those persons eligible for waivers pursuant to this  
 24 subdivision to offer the course in which such person intends to enroll  
 25 and there is space available in such course after accommodating all  
 26 such students, (4) for any student attending the Connecticut Police  
 27 Academy who is enrolled in a law enforcement program at said  
 28 academy offered in coordination with the university which accredits  
 29 courses taken in such program, (5) for any active member of the  
 30 Connecticut Army or Air National Guard who (A) has been certified  
 31 by the Adjutant General or such Adjutant General's designee as a  
 32 member in good standing of the guard, and (B) is enrolled or accepted  
 33 for admission to such institution on a full-time or part-time basis in an  
 34 undergraduate or graduate degree-granting program, (6) for any  
 35 dependent child of a (A) police officer, as defined in section 7-294a, or  
 36 supernumerary or auxiliary police officer, (B) firefighter, as defined in  
 37 section 7-323j, or member of a volunteer fire company, (C) municipal  
 38 employee, or (D) state employee, as defined in section 5-154, killed in  
 39 the line of duty, (7) for any resident of this state who is a dependent  
 40 child or surviving spouse of a specified terrorist victim who was a  
 41 resident of the state, and (8) for any dependent child of a resident of  
 42 the state who was killed in a multivehicle crash at or near the  
 43 intersection of Routes 44 and 10 and Nod Road in Avon on July 29,  
 44 2005. If any person who receives a tuition waiver in accordance with  
 45 the provisions of this subsection also receives educational  
 46 reimbursement from an employer, such waiver shall be reduced by the  
 47 amount of such educational reimbursement. Veterans described in  
 48 subdivision (2) of this subsection and members of the National Guard  
 49 described in subdivision (5) of this subsection shall be given the same  
 50 status as students not receiving tuition waivers in registering for  
 51 courses at Connecticut state universities. Notwithstanding the

52 provisions of section 10a-30, as used in this subsection, "domiciled in  
53 this state" includes domicile for less than one year.

54 Sec. 2. Subsection (e) of section 10a-105 of the general statutes is  
55 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July*  
56 *1, 2008*):

57 (e) Said board of trustees shall waive the payment of tuition fees at  
58 The University of Connecticut (1) for any dependent child of a person  
59 whom the armed forces of the United States has declared to be missing  
60 in action or to have been a prisoner of war while serving in such armed  
61 forces after January 1, 1960, which child has been accepted for  
62 admission to The University of Connecticut and is a resident of  
63 Connecticut at the time such child is accepted for admission to said  
64 institution, (2) for any veteran having served in time of war, as defined  
65 in subsection (a) of section 27-103, or who served in either a combat or  
66 combat support role in the invasion of Grenada, October 25, 1983, to  
67 December 15, 1983, the invasion of Panama, December 20, 1989, to  
68 January 31, 1990, or the peace-keeping mission in Lebanon, September  
69 29, 1982, to March 30, 1984, who has been accepted for admission to  
70 said institution and is domiciled in this state at the time such veteran is  
71 accepted for admission to said institution, (3) for any resident of  
72 Connecticut sixty-two years of age or older who has been accepted for  
73 admission to said institution, provided (A) such person is enrolled in a  
74 degree-granting program, or (B) at the end of the regular registration  
75 period, there are enrolled in the course a sufficient number of students  
76 other than those persons eligible for waivers pursuant to this  
77 subdivision to offer the course in which such person intends to enroll  
78 and there is space available in such course after accommodating all  
79 such students, (4) for any active member of the Connecticut Army or  
80 Air National Guard who (A) has been certified by the Adjutant  
81 General or such Adjutant General's designee as a member in good  
82 standing of the guard, and (B) is enrolled or accepted for admission to  
83 said institution on a full-time or part-time basis in an undergraduate or  
84 graduate degree-granting program, (5) for any dependent child of a  
85 (A) police officer, as defined in section 7-294a, or supernumerary or

86 auxiliary police officer, (B) firefighter, as defined in section 7-323j, or  
 87 member of a volunteer fire company, (C) municipal employee, or (D)  
 88 state employee, as defined in section 5-154, killed in the line of duty,  
 89 (6) for any resident of the state who is the dependent child or surviving  
 90 spouse of a specified terrorist victim who was a resident of the state,  
 91 and (7) for any dependent child of a resident of the state who was  
 92 killed in a multivehicle crash at or near the intersection of Routes 44  
 93 and 10 and Nod Road in Avon on July 29, 2005. If any person who  
 94 receives a tuition waiver in accordance with the provisions of this  
 95 subsection also receives educational reimbursement from an employer,  
 96 such waiver shall be reduced by the amount of such educational  
 97 reimbursement. Veterans described in subdivision (2) of this  
 98 subsection and members of the National Guard described in  
 99 subdivision (4) of this subsection shall be given the same status as  
 100 students not receiving tuition waivers in registering for courses at The  
 101 University of Connecticut. Notwithstanding the provisions of section  
 102 10a-30, as used in this subsection, "domiciled in this state" includes  
 103 domicile for less than one year.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	<i>July 1, 2008</i>	10a-99(d)
Sec. 2	<i>July 1, 2008</i>	10a-105(e)

***VA***                      *Joint Favorable C/R*

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